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HITS LAG AT "GEORGI DIMITROV"
AGRICULTURAL MACHINERY PLANT

Necessary measures for accelerating the production of shelling machines were not taken in time. As early as April, the apparatus for grinding the disk could have been prepared in the plant, a second die for cutting disks could have been installed, and an additional furnace for their tempering could have been put in operation. If there had been a sufficient number of finished disks, the plant could have produced 232 more shelling machines in the prescribed time, because the other parts for these machines were ready.

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The technical planning at the plant, directed by Engineer Marko Dukovski and supervised by Karl Andt, is not adequate. It is a common occurrence that the sections producing parts do not provide a regular supply of parts for the assembly section. For instance, in the threshing machines section not one threshing machine has been produced from 1 to 15 July of this year, although the plan provides for the production of 50 threshing machines per month. This is a result of the fact that this section has not been supplied with sleeves for the ball bearings, shock absorbers, and spindles.

One of the main reasons for the lag in the work of the section producing parts and in the lathe and stamping shops is the inadequate training of the blue-collar workers. The enlarging of the plant necessitated the hiring of a large number of insufficiently qualified workers. The courses that were opened for training lathe operators and mechanics have not been attended regularly. The course for foremen has been discontinued. It was planned that courses for foremen of the stamping section should start at the beginning of June, but they have not yet begun to meet. During June, the busiest work period, the 250-ton press went out of order and remained idle a whole week.

The quality of the machines manufactured by the "Georgi Dimitrov" Plant is still unsatisfactory. The tardy delivery of materials to the plant and the frequent delays in plan fulfillment disrupt the production schedules and create unfavorable conditions for shock work which ultimately affect the quality of production. As a result of inadequate shock work and inadequate control, the plant turns out machines having some poorly made parts, as is the case with harvesters.

It is necessary to take steps to correct these deficiencies.

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